

Budapest Comic Con Trivia Contest Rules

Contest Sponsors

Budapest Comic Con Trivia Contest is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, **U.S. Embassy Budapest. (the “Contest Sponsors”)**.

Description of Contest Objectives

The Budapest Comic Con Trivia Contest aims to connect with audiences and potential attendees interested in comics, U.S. pop culture, and Budapest Comic Con; and to bring visibility to the U.S. Embassy Budapest booth at Budapest Comic Con.

Platform(s)

Events from this contest may be announced and promoted on various social media platforms including Facebook and Instagram, but contest entry and administration will take place only through Instagram direct messages (DM) and email. Contest winners may also be announced on Instagram; however, Instagram is not a partner or sponsor of the contest. Contestants are reminded that by participating in the contest they are bound by Instagram’s and Terms of Service and any agreement with Instagram contained therein.

How to Enter

Provide an answer to the posted trivia question by sending a direct message to <https://www.instagram.com/usembhungary/>.

Entries must be submitted in a DM to this Instagram account.

We are NOT accepting submissions via Facebook.

Participation in this contest is deemed as acceptance of these Official Contest Rules.

The contest commences on **June 8, at 10 am CET**. Entries may be submitted from **June 8 10.00 am CET**. Trivia questions will be posted once a day, **on June 8 at 10 am CET** and on **June 9 at 10 am**. Judging begins on **June 8** and ends on **June 9, 5 pm CET**.

Content Requirements

- a. Submissions must not contain obscenity, explicit sexual material, nudity, profanity, graphic violence, calls or incitement to violence, commercial solicitation or commercial promotion. Submissions must conform to local law and must not contain content or images that could be considered abusive, inflammatory, denigrating, or disrespectful to any of the Contest Sponsors, or to any groups, individuals or institutions. Submissions must adhere both in appearance and in fact to the norms of civil discourse. In other words, the content of all submissions must be suitable for a global, public audience.
- b. Contest Sponsors reserve the right to disqualify, at their sole and absolute discretion, any submission that does not adhere to these criteria and to the intent and substance of these Official Contest Rules.
- c. In the event of any question or difference of views regarding compliance with, interpretation, or application of these content requirements or other provisions of these Official Contest Rules, Contest Sponsors reserve the exclusive right to resolve such questions or differences of views in their sole discretion.

Eligibility

- a. Contestants must be at least 18 years old on the date of entry into the contest. Contestants must be residents of Hungary and may not be U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents.

b. The individual submitting the entry will be considered the contestant and will be the only individual eligible to compete for the prize. Organizations are not eligible to compete for the prize, either as an entity, or through representation by an individual. In order to be eligible for the prize, the contestant must provide complete and accurate information.

c. The following individuals are not eligible to participate in the contest: Employees, interns, directors, and officers of the Contest Sponsors, Facebook, Instagram, or the U.S. Government; or any employees, interns, directors, or officers of any agencies, companies or entities involved in the administration, advertising, judging, creation, development, execution, and/or fulfillment of this contest, and the immediate family members (defined as spouse, recognized partner, parent, child, sibling, and spouse or "step" of each) and those living in the same household of each such individual.

d. Once a submission has been accepted for entry into the contest, the contestant's name (or User ID, if the contestant wishes to remain anonymous) and country may be publicly identified at the sole discretion of the contestant.

Selection of Winners

a. The first eligible individual to submit a correct answer will be deemed the winner. Winner will be contacted via DM on Instagram. The inability of Contest Sponsors to contact a potential winner may result in disqualification and/or selection of an alternate winner from among all remaining eligible submissions.

b. **Judges:** The contest jury will be comprised of Embassy staff members.

Prize(s)

a. Individual weekend pass for one person (for Saturday and Sunday, June 10-11, 2022) at Budapest Comic Con. One weekend pass for two (for Saturday and Sunday, June 10-11, 2022) at Budapest Comic Con.

b. Each winner must provide a valid email address where a prize is to be sent. Contest Sponsors are not responsible for any problems related to the shipping of any prize, including, but not limited to, theft, delay, damage, or destruction/accidental loss by the email host. If a winner does not provide a valid email address, then the Contest Sponsors reserve the right to select an alternative winner.

c. Winners have to confirm the acceptance of the prize in an email reply within 24 hours. If the acceptance is not confirmed within the required time, the Contest Sponsors reserve the right to select an alternate winner.

d. Any unused portion of the prize is not transferable, convertible, or exchangeable and cannot be taken as cash. All taxes on or in connection with any prize, and the reporting consequences thereof, are the sole and exclusive responsibility of the winner.

Liability and Rights

a. Contest Sponsors reserve the right at any time, to verify the validity of entries and of contestants and to disqualify any contestant or entry deemed not in compliance with these Official Contest Rules. Contest Sponsors also reserve the right to request further documentation, at their sole and absolute discretion, to verify eligibility and compliance with these Official Contest Rules.

b. If a prize or any portion thereof is unavailable, Contest Sponsors, in their sole discretion, reserve the right to substitute the prize with another prize of equal or greater value and/or specification.

c. If this contest is interfered or tampered with in any way by a contestant, or a person acting on the contestant's behalf, or, if, as a consequence of such interference, the contest is not capable of being reasonably conducted in the manner anticipated by Contest

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d. Contest Sponsors reserve the right, at any time and in their sole discretion, to disqualify and/or deem ineligible any individual who they reasonably believe (i) has violated the Official Contest Rules; (ii) has violated the terms of use of platform, or (iii) is acting in a bad faith, or in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner, or with intent to annoy, abuse, threaten or harass any other person.

e. Contest Sponsors reserve the right to modify, suspend, terminate or cancel the contest at their discretion for any reason.

f. Contestant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Contest Sponsors, their parent, subsidiary and affiliated companies, officers, directors, employees, interns, and agents, from and against any and all claims, damages, obligations, losses, liabilities, costs or debts, and expenses (including but not limited to attorney's fees) arising from (i) violation of these Official Contest Rules; (ii) violation of any third party right, including without limitation any copyright, trademark, intellectual property, privacy, publicity, or other proprietary right in connection with the contest; or (iii) any claim that a contest submission caused any harm, including financial, to any third party. These indemnification and hold harmless obligations will survive indefinitely beyond the conclusion of the contest.

g. The conduct, judging, and awarding of prizes will be carried out in full compliance with applicable U.S. law and host country law. In the event of a conflict between U.S. law and host country law, U.S. law shall apply.

h. Contest Sponsors and the U.S. Government will take reasonable measures to protect privacy data, personally identifiable information, and other sensitive data of contestants. Contact information provided by contestants may be stored by U.S. Embassy Budapest and may be used to contact contestants for other purposes in the future. This information may be shared with the co-sponsor of the contest and/or be made available to third parties, to the extent permitted by law.

i. Contest Sponsors assume no liability or responsibility for any loss or harm resulting from any user's participation in or attempt to participate in the contest or ability or inability to upload, download, or otherwise access any information in connection with participating in the contest. Contest Sponsors assume no responsibility or liability for technical problems, or technical malfunctions arising in connection with the operation of the contest, including: hardware or software errors; faulty computer, telephone, cable, satellite, network, electronic, wireless or Internet connectivity, or other online communication problems; errors or limitations of any Internet service providers, servers, hosts or providers; garbled, jumbled or faulty data transmissions; failure of any email transmissions to be sent or received; lost, late, delayed or intercepted email transmissions; inaccessibility of the contest site in whole or in part for any reason; traffic congestion on the Internet or the contest site; unauthorized human or non-human intervention of the operation of the contest, including without limitation, unauthorized tampering, hacking, theft, virus, bugs, worms; or destruction of any aspect of the contest, or loss, miscount, misdirection, inaccessibility or unavailability of an email account used in connection with the contest.

j. Use of contest site is at user's own risk. Contest Sponsors are not responsible for any personal injury, property damage, or losses of any kind which may be sustained to computer equipment resulting from participation in the contest, use of the contest site or the downloading of information from the contest site. By participating in the contest, the

contestant releases Contest Sponsors from any and all claims arising from or relating to such contestant's participation in the contest, whether directly or indirectly.

k. Contest Sponsors are not liable in the event that any portion of the contest is cancelled or delayed due to weather, fire, strike, acts of war or terrorism, or any other reason.